**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**
**RAILWAYS**
**LOK SABHA**

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GPS in Trains
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Railways have taken a decision to install Global Positioning System (GPS) and destination display boards in trains to give information about the next station and to ensure punctuality in the running of trains and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Railways have already launched pilot project to install GPS in coaches of some trains and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways have reviewed the performance of destination display boards installed in various trains; and

(d) if so, the number of trains in which destination display board facility is available and the details of expenditure made by the Railways on the said scheme?

# Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Yes, Madam. Railway plans to install Global Position System based Passenger Information Boards and Destination Display Boards on important trains in a phased manner.
(b): Global Position System based Passenger Information System to give information about next station is being provided in newly manufactured EMU stock for Mumbai area. Passenger Information System has also been provided in 4 coaches of Mail/Express trains on trial basis.
(c): Yes, Madam. The performance of LED (Light Emitting Diode) based Destination Display Boards is periodically reviewed by the Railways.
(d): Around 2353 coaches have been provided with LED based Destination Boards which is being fitted outside coaches to indicate coach number and originating and terminating station. It does not provide information about next station. These coaches are being attached to different train services as per the traffic requirement.
Expenditure of around ` 26 crore has been made by Railways on provision of these Destination Display Boards.
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